

**Vermont Area Agency On Aging (AAA)**

Champlain Valley AAA	802-865-0360
Northeastern VT AAA	802-748-5182
Central VT Council on Aging	802-479-0531 or 802-888-2504
Southeastern VT Council on Aging	802-885-2655
Southwestern VT Council on Aging	802-786-5991 or 802-442-5436

**Department for Children & Families  
(DCF) Offices**

Barre District	800-499-0113
Bennington District	800-775-0527
Brattleboro District	800-775-0515
Burlington District	800-775-0506
Hartford District	800-775-0507
Middlebury District	800-244-2035
Morrisville District	800-775-0525
Newport District	800-775-0526
Rutland District	800-775-0516
St. Albans District	800-660-4513
St. Johnsbury District	800-775-0514
Springfield District	800-589-5775

**Community Mental Health  
Central Offices**

Clara Martin Center (Orange County)	800-639-6360
Counseling Service of Addison County	802-388-7641
Health Care and Rehab Services of (Windsor & Windham Counties)	800-622-4235
Howard Center for Human Services (Chittenden County)	802-685-0400
Lamoille County Mental Health Services	802-888-4635
Northeast Kingdom Mental Health	802-334-6744
Northwest Counseling Services (Franklin & Grand Isle Counties)	802-524-6554
Rutland Area Community Services	800-775-1000
United Counseling Service (Bennington County)	802-442-5491
Washington County Mental Health Services	802-229-0591

A list of Residential Care Homes may be obtained upon request by calling the Division of Licensing & Protection at 802-241-2345 or on-line at <http://www.dail.state.vt.us/lcinfo/rch2.htm>

**VERMONT DEPARTMENT  
OF DISABILITIES, AGING,  
& INDEPENDENT LIVING**

Residential Option for Elders & Persons with Disabilities Living in Vermont Communities.

**Assistive  
Community  
Care  
Services****VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF DISABILITIES,  
AGING, & INDEPENDENT LIVING**

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# ASSISTIVE COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES

## What is It?

Assistive Community Care Services (ACCS) is a Medicaid State Plan Option for SSI and Medicaid eligible Vermonters who reside in participating Residential Care Homes or Assisted Living Residences.

The ACCS services are paid for by Medicaid. Services are provided by Level III Residential Care Homes and / or Assisted Living Residences that are enrolled in the ACCS program.

Staff members are supervised by a State-Certified Manager and a Licensed Registered Nurse.

## ACCS Services Include:

1. **Case Management:** To assist you with gaining access to needed medical, social, and other services and to ensure you receive the services identified in your plan of care.
2. **Personal Care Services:** Assistance with eating, walking, bathing, dressing, toileting, transferring, personal hygiene, grooming, and other personal needs.
3. **Nursing Assessment & Routine Tasks:** Assessment, health monitoring and evaluation, and routine nursing care is provided or supervised by a Licensed Registered Nurse.

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**Medication Assistance:** The home will assist you with medication monitoring and administration.

5. **On-Site Assistive Therapy:** Activities, techniques or methods designed to improve cognitive skills or modify behavior, in consultation with a licensed professional.
6. **Restorative Nursing:** Services which promote and maintain function.

## Who is Eligible?

To be eligible, an individual must:

1. Be a Vermont resident age 65 or older, or be 18 or older and have a disability;
2. Need ACCS services;
3. Live in a participating Residential Care Home or Assisted Living Residence; and,
4. Meet the income and resource criteria for VT Medicaid ACCS program.

## What will it Cost?

The cost of ACCS is paid by Medicaid. The Residential Care Home or Assisted Living Residence will bill Medicaid for each day it provides you with services and you are ACCS eligible.

**Note:** Room and Board expenses are privately arranged between you and the home. These costs are your responsibility and you pay the home directly. You are entitled to retain a minimum personal needs allowance of \$47.66 a month.

Room and Board, plus the Medicaid ACCS reimbursement is the total amount a home

may receive for providing services to you under the ACCS program.

## Other Services

In addition to ACCS services you will receive other services, such as laundry, housekeeping, meals and limited assistance with transportation needs.

## How do I apply?

1. Find a participating Residential Care Home or Assisted Living Residence that has the space and ability to meet your needs.
2. If you are not already on VT Medicaid, you must submit an application for Medicaid to your local Department for Children & Families Services office. They will determine your eligibility for ACCS. Please call your local DCF office for details.
3. Complete a Verification of Eligibility for ACCS form with the home, once DCF has determined you are eligible.
4. If you are not currently receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits, contact the Social Security Administration to determine whether you are eligible for SSI in a Level III Residential Care Home or Assisted Living Residence.
5. When you move into the ACCS provider home, you will complete an admission agreement with the home.

Your local Area Agency on Aging can help you find a participating home, and apply for Medicaid, and SSI benefits.